NEWS IN BRIEF

From the Fairfax County Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)

March 25, 2003



- FAIRFAX COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AUTHORITY AND CHANNEL 16 WIN NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATORS GOLD SCREEN AWARD.
 - The National Association of Government Communicators (NAGC) has awarded the FCRHA a NAGC Gold Screen Award for best public service program. The award recognizes the FCRHA and Fairfax County Channel 16 for its distinguished production of the "e-ffordable Fairfax: Finding Solutions for Affordable Housing" public service video documentary. The Gold Screen Award is part of the NAGC's annual Blue Pencil and Gold Screen Awards program that recognizes the best in government communications. The recognition program is open to communicators from national, state, regional, county, municipal or other governmental entities and to private-sector communicators who have produced work for a government entity.
- FAIRFAX COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AUTHORITY, AHOME AND VHDA SPONSOR KOREAN LANGUAGE HOMEOWNERSHIP CLASS. The Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority (FCRHA) joins Arlington Home Ownership Made Easier (AHOME) and the Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA) to begin hosting a quarterly homeownership class in Korean. The seminar, a joint effort between the FCRHA, AHOME and the VHDA that was funded by the Fannie Mae Foundation, seeks to reach and provide Fairfax County residents who speak Korean with information on affordable homeownership opportunities. The first Korean Homeownership Class was held on Saturday, March 15 at the FCRHA headquarters building, 3700 Pender Drive, and 42 residents participated in the event.
- DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS WITH OTHER COUNTY AGENCIES TO FORM COMMUNITY RESOURCE TEAM. The Fairfax County Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has partnered with other Fairfax County government agencies including Health, Planning and Zoning, Human Services, Recreation, Fire, Police and others to form the Community Resource Team to implement community initiatives in the Central Springfield area. Projects for the team include planning and conducting neighborhood clean-up days, gang prevention seminars, youth forums, and property maintenance. The team intends to use the skills and talents of the multiagency effort to solve community problems.

Calendar Notes

- Wednesday, March 26 at 7:30 p.m., the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board will
 conduct a regular meeting in conference rooms 9 and 10 of the Government Center, 12000 Government
 Center Parkway, Fairfax.
- Thursday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m., Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority (FCRHA) meeting, FCRHA Board Room, 4500 University Drive, Fairfax.

Fairfax County is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination in all County programs, services and activities and will provide reasonable accommodations upon request. To request special accommodations, call 703-246-5101 or TTY 703-385-3578. Please allow seven working days in advance of the event in order to make the necessary arrangements.

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